

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A computer supported plate making method comprising:
  - 5 a coordinate layout numbering step, based on an original document or an instruction received from a client, of allocating for a page creation area screen the location and the size of character data and/or image data, which are represented by specific blocks using absolute coordinates, and of adding layout numbers to corresponding character data and/or image data;
  - 10 a character data input step of entering the character data to which the layout number has been added, and of creating, for each of the blocks represented by the absolute values, a file that includes information for a font type, a printing color and a size (Q's); and
  - 15 an image data input step of reading the image data to which the layout number has been added and defining the image data as files corresponding to the layout numbers, whereby, based on proofread letters, a correction is
  - 20 performed for each of the files.
2. A computer supported plate making method according to claim 1, whereby, for a correction based on proofreading letters, a file copy of an original file for which a layout number has been provided is corrected, and during the inspection, to easily perform a comparison, the original file and the corrected file copy are superimposed on each other on a corresponding block.
3. A computer supported plate making method according

to claim 2, whereby, to perform comparison more easily, the original file and the file copy are displayed in different colors.

4. A computer supported plate making method according  
5 to claim 2 or 3, whereby, to perform comparison more easily, the original file and the file copy are slightly displaced relative to each other, and are superimposed on each other on display.

5. A computer supported plate making method according  
10 to one of claims 1 to 4, whereby the steps of a plate making process, including the coordinate allocation numbering step, the character data input step, the image data input step and the proofreading based correction step, are provided as a computer program.